

2015 ANNUAL REPORT



MORE THAN 2,800 YOUTH SERVED



OVER 1,200 DEDICATED ADULT VOLUNTEERS

OVER 18,000 COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS



JOURNEY TO EXCELLENCE "GOLD" RATING

11 NEWLY CREATED YOUTH-SERVING UNITS



603 NEW CUB SCOUTS REGISTERED

116 CHARTER ORGANIZATIONS & PARTNERS



64 NEW EXPLORERS & 7 NEW EXPLORING UNITS



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COUNCIL KEY 3 MESSAGES

JOE HENNING—COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Let me begin with a great big THANK YOU to all that have made the Mississippi Valley Council as strong as it is today! This effort started at the top with Todd's first full year with the Council. Todd hit the ground running and has been the main reason so much has been achieved in this last year. He, and his staff, are committed to ensuring they are doing all they can to support the volunteers and units of our Council. I'd also like to thank the professional staff and Board members. They have each been asked to reach beyond the norm to support the efforts of the last year and it is through these efforts we ended the year on such solid ground. Lastly, I want to thank the volunteers. Volunteers are the life blood of the organization. Without you, there would be no Scouting! I want you to know that I personally appreciate all of the hours you each put in to ensure that every youth has an opportunity to be a part of Scouting. As I enter my second year as president, I look forward to the efforts that will continue to strengthen our camps and our organization. It is going to be great!



CECIL HASKINS—COUNCIL COMMISSIONER

2015 was a good year for our Council. The Council finished the year at Gold for the *Journey to Excellence* (JTE) rating. The Council Key 3 will monitor the JTE fields of Fundraising, Membership Youth Growth, Community Service, Boy Scout Advancement, and Unit Leadership. The Commissioner team finished the year at Gold for Unit Visits. Mississippi Valley Council will teach the Bachelor degree at the Commissioner College on April 2, 2016 in Moline, IL; we need Scouters to help teach a class. 2016 looks like a great year ahead. The National Chief Scout Executive is showing a turn for 2016 to be the year of youth growth; there was a swing upwards in 2015. After 34 years of Scouting for me, our camps are the best ever; great things are happening to give our Scouts a great camping adventure. Please, let's all get out and recruit a new Scout for 2016.

TODD LAMISON—SCOUT EXECUTIVE

I am very proud to serve our Council, as it is obvious that our Board, staff and volunteers work hard to provide the best Scouting Experience for our youth. I greatly appreciate what all our volunteers and Scouts have given of themselves to support youth in our community.

2015 has been an exciting and action packed year for Mississippi Valley Council. Throughout this report you will see key accomplishments that highlight all the hard work of our staff and volunteers. One great example of this hard work is the *Envision 2020* plan that Kevin Mineart, David Lane and many other volunteers built through a twelve-month process. Another is our increase in Service Hours per Scout.



COUNCIL KEY THREE AT PHILMONT SCOUT RANCH, JUNE 2015

While we will celebrate the successes, we care too greatly about our communities to rest on these accomplishments. So in 2016, we are already working on key improvements to support our units, programs and camps. We will be adding a new provisional camping program to our summer camps which allows Scouts to camp a second week without taxing their volunteer unit leadership to attend that additional week.

After a year of serving our Council, I feel blessed for the opportunity. I am truly impressed by the caliber of leadership our volunteers and staff possess. Thank you for all you do in support of Scouts. You are making a difference!

OUR LEADERSHIP IN 2015

OFFICERS & EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

President	Joe Henning
Vice Presidents	
1 st Vice President	Kevin Mineart
VP of Administration	Ron Teater
VP of Marketing/Relationships	Sarah Fernandez
VP of Program	Brent Babyak
VP of Training	Patrick Jackson
VP of Endowment	Jeff Kennedy
VP of Finance	William Daniels
Council Commissioner	Cecil Haskins
Treasurer	John McKillip
Past President	Bob Dickson
Scout Executive	Todd Lamison



475 CUB SCOUTS AND WEBELOS
ATTENDED ADVENTURE CAMP IN 2015



709 BOY SCOUTS ATTENDED BOY
SCOUT SUMMER CAMP IN 2015

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Rick Atwood	Sarah Fernandez	John McKillip
Brent Babyak	John J. Freiburg, II	Jon Manley
Charles Bach	Dennis Gorman	Kevin Mineart
Robert Barlow	Patrick Graf	William Paxton
Donna Buss	Jack Gunsten	Jack Sharkey
William Daniels	Cecil Haskins	Jim Sholl
Thomas Dickerson	O. Mike Hausch	Jeff Spear
Robert Dickson	Joe Henning	Rev. Mark Spring
Terri Dowell	Gregory Humphrey	Ronald Teater
Greg Dreyer	Patrick Jackson	Jeff Terry
Will Duryea	Jeffrey Kennedy	Kent Williams

ADVISORY BOARD

Dan Brink
Fred Cory
William Edwards
Carol Hinkle
James Miller
Bruce Moechnig
James Olson
Joshua Schier
Charles Walsh
Daniel H. Wiedemeier



421 CUB SCOUTS ATTENDED A FAMILY CAMP IN 2015

OUR FRIENDS OF SCOUTING PACESETTERS

WE ARE PROUD TO RECOGNIZE OUR PARTNERS IN YOUTH DEVELOPMENT.
THE FOLLOWING CONTRIBUTORS ARE SETTING THE PACE TO HELP BUILD
A BETTER FUTURE FOR OUR COMMUNITIES.

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Sharkey Transportation, Inc.

Guardian

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Catfish Bend Casinos

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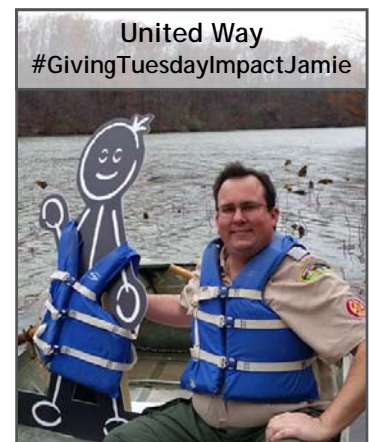
John G. Stevenson, Jr.
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Ray & Kay Young

Sponsor

Jon R. Manley
Kent A. Williams

Benefactor

Industrial Service Corp.
Winegard Foundation



Levels of Giving

Patron	\$500—\$749	Sponsor	\$2,500—\$4,999
Honor	\$750—\$999	Benefactor	\$5,000—\$9,999
Guardian	\$1000—\$2,499	Distinguished	\$10,000+



We would also like to thank our donors who provided grants to us in 2015:

Marion Gardner Jackson Trust—Tech. Improvements
NSSF—Shooting Sports Equipment
CFM Foundation—Operating Fund
NRA—Shooting Sports Equipment
J.W. Gardner II Foundation
Community Foundation of Quincy Area—STEM
Burlington/West Burlington Area United Way
Fort Madison Area United Way
United Way of Adams County
Big River United Way



OUR ENDOWMENT INVESTORS

ENCOURAGING GIFTS TO BSA LOCAL COUNCIL ENDOWMENT FUNDS IS ONE WAY TO ENSURE THE SCOUTING PROGRAM FOR GENERATIONS TO COME.

SECOND CENTURY

Deferred gifts, also called planned giving, designated for council endowment funds.

Legacy—\$500,000

Anonymous
Dennis Wilson

Bronze Level—\$100,000

Susan A. Brown
Dennis G. Koch
Gerald P. Mast



THE 1910 SOCIETY

Gifts of \$25,000 or more to their council endowments. These gifts can be in the form of cash, securities, land, five-year pledges, or other property suitable for a council endowment fund or easily converted to cash.

Daniel Carter Beard Level Member—\$100,000

Elmer Wilson Estate

Ernest Thompson Seton Level Members—\$25,000

James H. Boeger †
Virginia Hulsen Estate
James G. Hunter, Sr. Trust
Myron E. Lusk Estate
Dennis L. Wilson
John H. Witte Jr. Foundation



† denotes deceased

JAMES E. WEST FELLOWSHIP

Gifts of \$1,000 and up in cash or marketable securities. Four giving levels are recognized: Bronze \$1,000; Silver \$5,000; Gold \$10,000; Diamond \$15,000. Donors may make cumulative gifts to reach Silver, Gold and Diamond levels.

Bronze

Donald W. Allgood, DVM
David C. Ayers
Rod Bell
James H. Boeger †
Patti Boyer
Lawrence & Isabel
Broemmel Estate
Susan A. Brown
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Margo L. DeBlieck †
Jerry C. Derby
Anil Dhuna, MD
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Ken Gaddis
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Thomas R. Gubba
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Estate †

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Estate
Martha Muegge Estate



DEFERRED GIFTS

Tom Arnold
Alberta Atwood †
Charles Bach, Jr.
Susan Brown
Fred Cory
Bill Daniels

LR "Butch" DeBlieck
John Freiburg, II
Dennis Gorman
William Hurley
Dennis G. Koch
Harry Jefferson

Gerald P. Mast
Russ McNamer
Robert Merrick
Delmer Mitchell
James W. Miller
Michael D. Miller

Nancy B. Mills
James Palmer
David Richart
Jack Sharkey
Steven Siebers
Ned L. Snider, MD

James J. Stebor
Larry Swearingen
Dan Wiedemeier
Dennis L. Wilson
Rodney Wittkamp

OUR EAGLE SCOUTS

THE MISSISSIPPI VALLEY COUNCIL RECOGNIZES 39 YOUNG MEN WHO HAVE EARNED THE EAGLE SCOUT AWARD IN 2015.

Eagle Ridge District

Joseph Alan Brink	Troop 1
Zachary David Harbin	Troop 2
Caleb Hunter Scott	Troop 2
Chandler David Shankland	Troop 5
Jacob Michael Kunkel	Troop 11
Sergio Mattheo Vlahovich	Troop 11
Jeremiah Edward Hendricks	Troop 35
Spencer Lee Myers	Troop 42
John W. Moellring	Troop 42
Ryan Allen Platt	Troop 42
Andrew Todd Klauser	Troop 76
Robert Floyd Snyder	Troop 91
Jeffrey Cole Bair	Troop 92
Matthew James Sharp	Troop 92
Daniel Gregory Williams	Troop 99

River Valley District

Grant Evan Sugars	Troop 19
Harlan Ernest Steffensmeier	Troop 33
Joseph Dan Corvaia	Troop 41
Anthony Joseph Frey	Troop 43
Matthew David Wyatt	Troop 43
Harold Edward Northup, III	Troop 51
Luke Edward Sinele	Troop 56
Preston Grow	Troop 110
Emmitt Skog	Troop 110

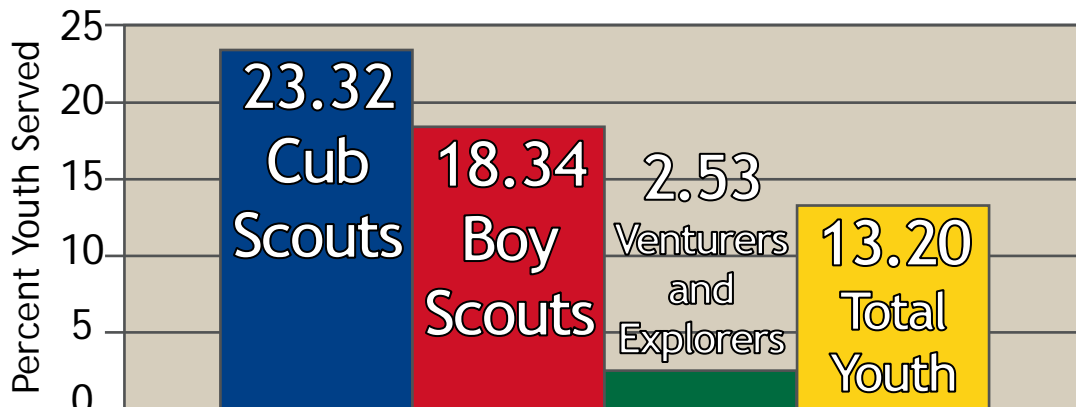
Shoquouon District

Adam Edward Bodenham	Troop 24
Joseph Ellis Goody	Troop 24
Dilan Adam Zilliox	Troop 24
Ryan Cade Brauns	Troop 27
Kane Michael Jacobs	Troop 27
Jacob Joseph Holtkamp	Troop 28
Cole Joseph Smith	Troop 28
Joel Robert Allen	Troop 40
Nicholas Wayne Beckham	Troop 40
Robert Jayden Tyler Kemp	Troop 40
Cody Ryan Wright	Troop 40
Bradley Robert Wachtel	Troop 54
Andrew Michael McLerran	Troop 71
Darien Hunter Pidgeon	Troop 71
Aaron N. Garrison	Troop 106

OUR MEMBERSHIP

1,728	Cub Scouts registered in 65 Packs
853	Boy Scouts registered in 54 Troops
84	Venture Scouts registered in 12 Crews
150	Explorers registered in 16 Posts
2,815	Total Youth in 147 Units
1,242	Adults registered as Leaders
4,057	Total Youth and Adults in 147 Units

2015 Youth Market Share



OUR FINANCES

2015 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Pre-audit figures

Statement of Financial Position

Assets

Cash & Short-term Investments	1,289,865
Current Receivables	2,668
Inventories	41,823
Prepaid Expenses	24,276
Contributions Receivable	51,873
Property and Equipment	670,234
Long-Term Investments	1,895,340
Other Assets	1,022,157

Total Assets 4,998,256

Liabilities & Net Assets

Liabilities

Accounts Payable	21,465
Deferred Revenues	23,257
Accrued Expenses	6,404
Other Liabilities	144,977
Total Liabilities	196,103

Net Assets

Unrestricted	2,578,697
Temporarily Restricted	365,555
Permanently Restricted	1,857,901
Total Net Assets	4,802,153

Total Liabilities & Net Assets 4,998,256

Fund 1 Statement of Operations

Support & Revenues

Support

Friends of Scouting	168,211
United Ways	74,104
Special Events	37,928
Other Support	94,192
Total Support	374,435

Revenue

Product and Shop Sales	306,702
Camping and Activity Revenue	429,262
Other Revenue	33,545
Total Revenues	769,509

Total Support and Revenues 1,143,944

Expenses

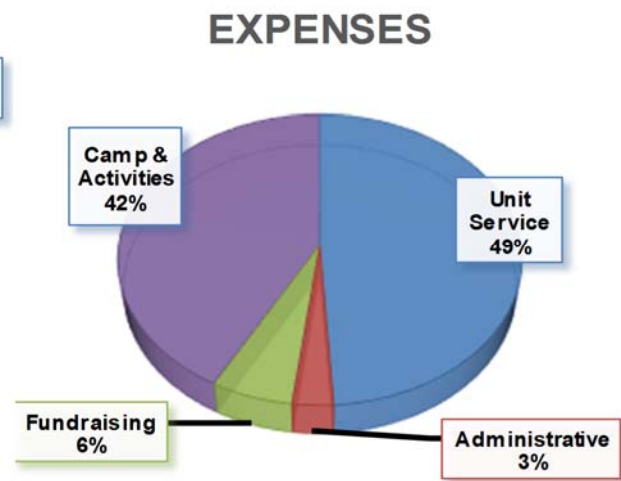
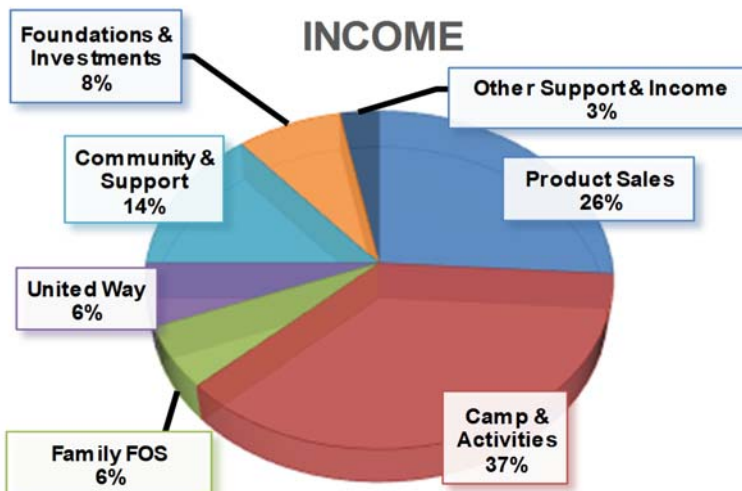
Compensation	677,836
Program Supplies	129,080
Occupancy, Travel and Other	210,062
Insurance and National Fee	46,958
Total Expenses	1,063,936

Support & Revenue over Expenses 80,008

Unrestricted Assets, January 1, 2015 309,559

Unrestricted Assets, Dec. 31, 2015 389,307

For more information about the financial statement, please contact either Scout Service Center.



OUR PROGRAMS



Cub Scouts is a family-centered program for boys first through fifth grade. This program capitalizes on a boy's natural interests which foster self-esteem and teaches cooperation and the meaning of healthy competition through sports, games, crafts, skill-building, recognition, camping, and fun.



Boy Scouts is a troop and patrol-centered program for boys in sixth grade through senior high school. This program builds self-esteem, resourcefulness and leadership skills through a blend of outdoor experiences, educational and instructional skills, recognition, value-building, and fun.



Venturing is the young adult version of the BSA for young men and women ages 14 through 20 years. The purpose of this program is to provide positive experiences to help young people mature and to prepare them to become responsible and caring adults.



Exploring is a unique and flexible program for young men and women ages 12 through 20 years. Its aim is to help youth make intelligent decisions about their future by giving them in-depth exposure to careers, while helping them participate in exciting, adult-style, social, outdoor and community activities.

THE MISSISSIPPI VALLEY COUNCIL WOULD LIKE TO REMEMBER THE DEDICATED SCOUTERS WHO HAVE PASSED AWAY IN 2015 AND THANK THOSE WHO HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO MEMORIALS IN THEIR NAMES.

Al Pealer
Ann Atterberg
Bill McReynolds
Brett Gorman
Charles Bailey
Charlie Call

David R. Fry
Jim Ellison
Marianna Mellon
Mary Kathleen Dozier
Mary Catherine Guenther

Neysa Turpin
Randy Faeth
Richard Lich
Tom Meyer
Violette M. Coy
Vonda Gooding



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